

# The Pocahontas Times.

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## TANNERY SIGN

The Greenbrier Tannery at this place has erected an illuminated sign that is a work of art and which deserves inspection by those interested in beautiful things. It is erected on the top of the main building and is visible from the railroad on one side of the works and from the Seneca Trail on the other side. Each face presents a surface ten by fifty feet. The local force erected the structure of the sign and painted the ground and the Arthur Litzberg Company of Cumberland, Maryland, sent two men here to paint the sign on the deluxe boards. The brilliant colors attract a great deal of attention at night when the bright electric lighting bring out the sign at its best. The sign has the well known trade mark of the steer looking through a circle which has become familiar with every household in the country. The lettering is as follows:

Greenbrier Tannery  
The United States Leather Company  
World's Largest Tanners Sole  
And Belting Leather  
Steerhide Sole Leather  
The tannery is busy and is turning out leather at a great rate.  
The light is furnished by fourteen 150 Watt lights.

## FLOWER SHOW

Dunmore, W. Va.—The annual Dunmore Community Flower Show was held on Saturday afternoon, September 15, at the Methodist Church, in connection with the County Life Conference. There were one hundred entries. Eighty visitors came in to view the display. The flowers remained in the church over Sunday. The display half filled the building.

The committee in charge of the exhibit were Mrs. Russell Campbell, Mrs. Mary Hull, Mrs. Russell McLaughlin, Mrs. H. H. Grimes and Mrs. C. C. McLaughlin. The judges were E. L. Fenton, Mrs. G. G. Hamilton and K. A. Kramer.

The following is the list of awards: Dahlia—Mrs. Fred Pritchard, Mrs. John Pritchard and Mrs. H. H. Grimes.

Mixed bouquet—Mrs. Carlon Pritchard.

Asters—Mrs. John Hevener, Mrs. Mary Hull, Mrs. Merrett Gum.

Cosmos—Miss Jean Pritchard, Miss Ella Pritchard, Mrs. Virgie McLaughlin.

Zinnias—Mrs. Flora Nottingham, Mrs. Virgie McLaughlin, Miss Nita Arbores.

Miscellaneous flowers—Mrs. Fred Pritchard.

Potted plants—Mrs. Harry Moore, Mrs. Mary Hull.

Nasturtiums—Mrs. C. E. Pritchard, Marigolds—Mrs. John Pritchard, Mrs. John Hevener, Miss Jean Pritchard.

Scarlet sage—Mrs. Harry Moore.

## DIED

Thomas Matthew Hoover, little son of Mrs. Minnie Hoover and grandson of J. A. W. McLaughlin, died on Sunday morning, September 3, 1928, aged 1 year, 5 months and 25 days. His little body was laid in the Stony Bottom Cemetery on Monday afternoon. He has gone to be with the blessed. God gives and God takes His own. His little ways will with us stay until we meet him over there. We miss him and his loving smile, but God knows best, and he took him home.

Rev. Ben Harrop died at the home of his son at Bristol, Va., September 3, 1928, after a short illness with heart disease. His age was 68 years. For twenty-four years Mr. Harrop was the beloved pastor of the Roncoveite Presbyterian Church. His body was brought to Roncoveite and buried.

Died at the Memorial hospital, Saturday, September 8, Sheridan Clyde Moats, aged 30 years, 5 months and 7 days. He had been in failing health for the past seven years with leakage of the heart and complications. He leaves to mourn his death his wife, Mrs. Susie Moats and two sons, his parents and one brother besides a host of relatives and friends. He was laid to rest in the Mt. View cemetery Sunday.

## "Well Fixed"

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## WHAT IS THE USE?

Two years ago John Archibald, just graduated from the State Tech, consented to take the class of five boys, ranging from fifteen to seventeen years, which was the only group of boys left in the Senior Department of his own church. Neither teacher nor boys were particularly enthusiastic about the arrangement, but it pleased John Archibald's conscience, and then as he expressed it, "An hour every Sunday morning will not mean much to my young life."

The first Sunday only two boys came. The next Sunday there were two also, but not the same two. Now though Archibald had not taken this Sunday school teaching seriously, he really was so stouche, and this hit or miss attendance of the boys roused his thinking, so when on Monday he received a card announcing a departmental conference at 7:15 on Wednesday night, John Archibald decided to go. He was willing "to try any thing once." There were six people present: the superintendent, a man of about sixty-five, four women teachers and John Archibald. Fifteen minutes were wasted getting ready to begin, and then the subject of increasing the average attendance was open for discussion.

All the classes were about like John Archibald's, except one group of sixteen year old girls of the so called "fapper" type, whose average attendance for the past quarter was 98 per cent. Naturally their teacher asked for her method. She gave it in one word, "Visiting."

John Archibald almost snorted. Visiting those high school and business boys of his would be a joke. He didn't even know where they lived. But if he did what would be the use of trying to catch them in. And what would he say if he did catch them? Visiting might be all right for girls, but boys were a different proposition. So he pleaded an engagement and made his get-away, resolving that at the first opportunity he would give up the class.

His engagement was the meeting of the heads of department of the big corporation of which he had just become a small part. The meeting began at eight sharp, and the president as he snapped out his questions showed that he knew the weakness and strength of each department represented. Each official was challenged in turn to tell why his department had succeeded or failed, and when the head of the sales department, with something of a swagger, laid the blame on the inefficiency of the workers under him, the president's quiet voice made clear to him and to all the rest that a leader's efficiency is tested by his ability to establish efficiency among his employees.

"Young C is capable," said the president. "Why is he getting fewer orders than before you took the department? Where is he living now? What does he do in his spare time?" "Really, Mr. Browning," was the reply, "I cannot say. I am sales manager, not nursemaid."

And then something snapped, as the president blazed, "Nursemaid indeed! I doubt whether you could handle one child, much less fifty young men and women. You are paid to get results, and those results depend absolutely on your human material. Know that human material by first hand study. Mold it by sympathy, by encouragement, and by example, and you will be a valuable asset to this company. Otherwise you are a dead loss. My father who fifty years ago, laid the foundation of this plant, knew personally every workman and most of their families by name. Today the size of the business compels me to trust such personal contact to heads of departments. I am trusting a part of it to you. Get busy."

John Archibald gasped. Was this personal touch necessary in business? And though the rest of this two hours' conference was filled with discussions of very different subjects, his sub-conscious mind kept repeating, "What about those Sunday School boys? Would it be any use to have a personal contact with them?" His decision and what resulted therefrom will be told next month.—The Ernest Worker.

County court will meet in regular session next Tuesday September 25.

## BALTIMORE CONFERENCE

Bishop Collins Denny will preside over the session of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, opening September 26 at Staunton, Va.

The Baltimore Conference represents a constituency of approximately 90,000 members. The convention will be the one hundred and forty-fourth of the Baltimore Conference and the sixth in Staunton.

The first business session of the conference will open at 10 A. M. Wednesday morning, September 26. The bishop's cabinet will meet next Tuesday for a conference on appointments for the coming year.

No change is expected in the presiding eldership this year, as none of them has completed the four year term of office. Reports of the various interests of the church embraced in the Baltimore Conference will be made by the pastors and chairman of boards. Addresses will be made by the Rev. Dr. A. J. Lamar, and the Rev. Dr. B. A. Whitmore, Nashville; the Rev. Dr. W. G. Cram, general secretary of the Board of Missions; the Rev. Dr. H. H. Sherman, general secretary of the board of education, and others.

Of the seventy four schools and colleges owned and controlled by the church, five are in the Baltimore Conference. Reports from these schools and colleges will be made.

## COMMUNITY SINGING

Milpoin, W. Va.—A large crowd attended the community singing at Marvin Chapel last Sunday afternoon. Fred W. Ruckman presided. A feature of the service was the singing by the Sunday school classes. Miss Dice Smith assisted Miss Madge Arbores at the organ. Mrs. E. H. Audridge sang a solo; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Audridge sang a duet; Miss O. W. and J. E. Ruckman E. F. McLaughlin made an address. The closing prayer was made by W. J. McNeil.

Secretary.

The big chemical plant at Sutton, Braxton county, was damaged by fire to the extent of \$65,000 last Tuesday night. The origin of the fire is not known. The plant will be repaired immediately. A large item of loss was the destruction of wood and charcoal from which wood alcohol is made. This factory was built by the United States Government at the beginning of the war to provide necessary war materials. After the war it was sold to a company which went into the hands of a receiver. Recently it was resold to the Miner-Edgar Company. The plant was thoroughly overhauled and it has been probably run on a full time basis. The buildings of this company include large areas of woodland and coal land. Several hundred persons are employed in the various activities of the company.

A drummer friend who travels by automobile, decided that it would be an interesting pastime to relieve the monotony of the road and tell how the election was going, to count the Smith and Hoover tags on the automobiles he saw along the way. The first day on the Midland Trail the Hoover tags outnumbered the Smith tags about five to one. The next day he traveled toward Ravenswood, and again the Hoover tags were in the great majority. He thought a sign had been given him. Then on the third day he came back over the same routes; and the Smith tags checked about ten to one Hoover tags. He feels the issues are uncertain and he is looking for other stars to indicate the trend.

Squirrel season opens next Friday, September 28. Except along the eastern border of the county, there are no squirrels in Pocahontas this year. Last year they were here in unusual numbers. All fall long they were seen traveling toward the east. There was no nest here. About the first of the year squirrels were no longer to be seen. There is such a big crop of nuts in Pocahontas this year that it is thought the squirrels will return some time this fall.

The seventy-fourth annual Methodist Protestant conference closed at Weston Monday. The next annual convention will be at Bridgmont. Rev. G. F. Sloan is returned to Huntersville; Rev. S. E. McCarty to Fairplant; Rev. Paul Reagle to Montrose; Rev. Howard Underwood to Richards; Rev. H. M. Mitchell to Parkersburg.

Clawson-Joe Dilley had a very fine crop of oats.—The farmers are busy digging potatoes; there is a fine crop.—H. H. Waugh has been at the Paul Sharp farm for a few days.—Ernest Carr has been on his sick list for the last few days.

On September 5, 1928, Howard Maich Lane, of Bedford county, Pennsylvania, and Mrs. Laura Bird Pratt, of Milpoin, were united in marriage by Rev. S. E. Neel at the Methodist parsonage, Marlinton. The happy couple will make their home in Pennsylvania.

Ward Harper is running a school bus between Frost and Marlinton, carrying the Huntersville District high school students. He has a fine new truck with a body built for the purpose. The twenty-five or more students fit it comfortably full.

The open season for squirrels opened in Highland county last week. The report is that they are there in great numbers—both squirrels and hunters.

## CIRCUIT COURT

Chancery Orders

Widdifon vs J. A. Simons, sale of lands confirmed.

Campbell v Forrest Lumber Co., special receiver directed to pay certain moneys to the plaintiff.

Windle v Pifer v Eco G. Johnson and others, decree of sale.

F. E. Hunter, guardian, authorized to expend \$500 for schooling of Alvin Kay Kelley.

T. S. McNeil admr. v James Wilson and others, sale confirmed to C. C. Cindansen.

J. C. Harper admr. v Harry L. Buzel and others, sale confirmed to E. E. Wyle.

W. H. Barlow admr. v Butler Sharp and others, sale confirmed to Malcolm Carpenter.

Williams & Pifer Lumber Co. v Ford McKee and J. L. Poyner. Trust deed rule entered against the defendants returnable October 2.

## Law Orders

Grand Jurors J. E. Marshall, foreman; French Sutton, S. H. Hiner, J. A. Spangrucker, J. W. McCarty, J. B. Nottingham, Harry Moore, L. H. McNeil, F. M. Cackley, D. L. Brivine, J. L. Nease, Elmer Sharp, J. A. Kiepatrick, J. O. Cogar, Coe Beersing, D. L. Colison.

State v H. G. Greer, nolle prosequi.

State v Chas Lewis, discharged.

The grand jury returned four indictments for felonies and twelve indictments for misdemeanors.

State v Hubert Hamerick, plea of guilty, and remanded to jail.

Court will meet in regular session October 2.

New York and the New England States are taking steps to see that the ruffed grouse or the pheasant and the passenger pigeon.

New York and Massachusetts have put a ban on shooting ruffed grouse, and the other states of that region are considering doing likewise.

In the state of Connecticut 89,000 ruffed grouse have been shot in the past four years. With the season closed in the state, the Connecticut sportsmen fear their supply of pheasants will be wiped out by the hunters outside their state who will flock there.

Hunters, disease and vermin have taken such a toll, that unless determined effort is made this finest game bird cannot be saved in that region.

Of the vermin the grouse hawk is the greatest offender. Down here in West Virginia the grouse hawk is known as the big blue hawk.

## Earliest Newspapers

An authority is inclined to give the credit for the earliest European newspaper to The Netherlands. A News Zeitung, or New Newspaper, was found dated in 1625 and telling of the great battle with the Turks. But back in the days of old Rome there were the Acta Diurna, or Daily Events, which regularly chronicled battles, elections, games, religious rites, etc. This daily paper, or bulletin, lasted to the fall of the western empire.

## Her Brass Band

The young married couple were having lunch at a modest eating-house. The woman was grumbling because they were unable to afford the luxurious restaurant which had been a feature of their honeymoon.

"You can't have a brass band everywhere you go," said the man, crossly. "Oh, yes, I can," snapped his wife. "I've got it on me now—on my finger."

Among the students who have come to college this week are Ewell Wiley to Union Seminary; Helen Hunter, Kathleen Baxter to Randolph Mason; Walter Mason, Ward Sharp, Eleanor King, Eleanor Wade, Alfred Edgar and Edward Beards to Virginia Polytechnic Institute; Delpha Grimes to Fairmont Business College; Reta Beards to New River State; Mary Warwick Dunlap and Louise Coyner to William and Mary.

The State Road Commission had an engineer corps on the Marlinton bridge a couple of days last week, preparing plans and specifications for the widening of the approaches with the heavy and increasing traffic, wider approaches have become a necessity.

Most of the schools of the county got under way last Monday. At Marlinton the grades have an enrollment of 309 and the Elray District High School will go to 220, the largest enrollment of any year.

F. D. Malcolm and Miss Anna Hanna, executors of the late C. H. Hanna, of Frankford, are preparing to hold a public auction on Friday and Saturday, September 28 and 29, the stock of general merchandise and store fixtures of the late C. H. Hanna.

The State Road Commission was checking up on the traffic of various roads in Pocahontas county last week from Sunday morning to 10 o'clock Saturday night. At Buckeye the average for the week was over three hundred cars daily. On Saturday night 275 cars passed that point.

W. O. Spindler, of Huntington, spent the week end with his son F. M. Spindler.

The Rev. W. A. Gregg and Mrs. Elsie have returned to Hopkinton after spending several days with relatives and friends in Pocahontas.

## ROADS

This editor was over in Virginia last week traveling by Ford. I took occasion to observe the old State's pay as you build plan of highway construction on Route 39 from Frost Gap to Staunton. This is the Jefferson Highway. It is being built by convict labor. A wonderfully fine road has been graded as far as they have come. How slowly they are coming is best realized by the people of Highland County, who wait the completion of the paving to their county seat town of Monterey to give them an all year road to the railroad. Some fifteen years or so ago, the State of Virginia started to build a modern highway from Staunton to Monterey by convict labor, a distance of 46 miles. Only about one half the distance has been laid surfaced, and the grading will reach to Monterey this year. I have no way of knowing the saving to the State over what this road would have cost had it been built by contract. But the lapse of so many years in getting the road to Monterey has cost the people of Highland county dearly in time, trouble and expense and inconvenience.

While I was writing this Mr. Bert Chipman, of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, came visiting around the office. He comes periodically to sell the many expensive things like type that printing plants always stand in need of. He is a fine Southern gentleman of the old school as ever came out of Maine. I am as water in his hands. When he asks me what I will buy, and I can only tell him that he is the doctor, skilled in the requirements of a printing plant, and to go as far as his conscience and my credit will permit.

Mr. Chipman formerly lived in Virginia. I asked him which was preferable—the Virginia pay as you build plan or the North Carolina bond and contract system. His reply was that in the part of Virginia in which he formerly lived the first stretch of road to be built was worn out before the last part was completed, so to say nothing of the variations incident to dragging a job along for years which could be completed in months if enough money and men were put upon it.

He said the North Carolina plan appealed to him. They get the roads and then pay for them. The bonded indebtedness of the old North State is \$109,000,000. The interest is paid out of State taxes. The license tax on automobiles and gasoline provides a sinking fund for the retirement of the bonds; it also pays for the upkeep of the roads and in addition builds over three hundred miles of new road each year.

Thieves entered the stable of George W. Gingar at Huntersville on last Sunday night and stole bridles and things. They then broke into his blacksmith shop and literally cleaned it out of tools and other things. There is no clue to the identity of thieves Mr. Gingar says he appreciates their leaving him anything at all.

James Robinson, a colored boy was before Squire Smith one day last week charged with shooting on a public road and on enclosed lands. He was fined \$10 in each case.

Wallace Beery and Raymond Hatton soaring to new comedy heights in their latest

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Seneca Theatre, Sept. 28-29th.

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## AN HONEST CONFESSION

IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL  
(Unapologetically submitted by a young reformed Yankee)

Some argue "Al Smith is the man." Some say "I'm out for Hoover." One says "Now show me if you can?" Another says "I'll prove 'er." Each day you hear "Al Smith is wet" As often "Hoover's dry"

Some from the party papers get A grand preposterous lie And thus they preach both long and loud.

With eyes that gleam and glisten To every feeble witted crowd That will take time to listen. There're columns here, and columns there

Of propaganda varnish. A page or two of records rare, With Tommy rot for garish. "Down with corrupt Tammany Hall!"

Some politician hollars. Forgetting in his heated squall Wall Street's polluted dollars. Pre Catholic items go to press. Why should the clergy retrogress To logic of dark ages?

They speak of Al Smith's pedigree. Such social caste tabu; Where is the school degree To equal Smith's I Q? From a long line Repu'll'ans This humble scribe descends.

(T's with regret that line he scans) But I will make amends, And my first vote will be cast free. Sans remorse and all that. For Al Smith "hath persuaded me" To be a Democrat.

(Editor's Note: The above is genuine in every respect, but nothing less than the name of the author from us on account of the author's relatives.)

## CHURCH NOTES

Marlinton Presbyterian Church  
Rev. K. V. Bowen, Minister  
Bible School 9:45  
Christian Endeavor 7:15 p m  
11:00 a m. Preaching by Pastor  
8:00 p m. Union Service at the Methodist Church.

Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 8:00 p m.

Marlinton Methodist Church  
Rev. S. B. Neel, Pastor  
Sunday School 10:15 a m.  
A. S. Overholt Supt.  
6:45 Junior Epworth League  
7:15 p m. Senior Epworth League  
11:00 a m. Preaching  
8:00 p m. Union Service.

Durbin Charge M. E. South  
L. S. Shires, Pastor  
11:00 a m. Barlow  
3:00 p m. Bethel  
8:00 p m. Durbin

HUNTERSVILLE CIRCUIT  
Mack Thomson, Pastor  
11:00 a m. Mountain Grove  
3:00 p m. Mt Carmel  
7:30 p m. Minnehaha Springs

Sunday School attendance last Sunday—Methodist, 218; Presbyterian, 146.

Greenbrier Presbytery meets at the Old Stone Church, Lewisburg, next Tuesday night, September 25. The representative from the Marlinton church is S. N. Hench, with T. S. McNeil as alternate.

An immense throng assembled at the dedication of the M. E. Church on Droop Mountain last Sunday. Rev. Dr. Walls of Elkins, presiding elder of this conference was present and conducted the ceremonies. The local supply, Rev. Mr. Ward, preached an eloquent sermon to the audience assembled under the fine old trees in the church yard. Andrew Price made a historical address in the afternoon. Enough money was subscribed to dedicate the church free of debt. Rev. Mr. Carfoke of Seebert, preached in the afternoon. Several thousand people were present. The church is the restored building of an old log church which had been abandoned. The result is pleasing to the eye and it is one of the neatest and most artistic church buildings in the county. The old name for this part of the Droop country was Modat Murphy. It is known as the church of the old Camp Meeting Grounds.

Over at the Kiwanis Club Friday night the speaker was G. C. Hamilton. He made a most interesting and instructive address upon the lumber industry. It is the intention of this editor to print this speech in an early issue of this paper. The Kiwanis State Convention meets at Huntington next Monday. There will be a number of Marlinton Kiwanians in attendance. The representatives from the local club are Hubert Echols and J. L. Baxter.

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## COMMUNITY CLUB PROGRAM

The Swago Community Club has its regular meeting at the Upper Swago Church on Thursday, Sept. 27 8:00 p m. The program will consist of songs, 4 H stunts, Readings by Mr. Clatter and an address by Professor F. K. Johnson. The public is invited.

## ELECTS W. C. T. U. OFFICERS

At the meeting of the Marlinton W. C. T. U. held on Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. Jack Tidd the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. Ada Lancaster; vice president, Mrs. James Bear; recording secretary, Mrs. Fred Gehan; corresponding secretary Mrs. Jack Tidd; treasurer, Mrs. Guy Faulkner. Delegate to the State Convention Mrs. George Waugh; alternate, Mrs. R. S. Sutton.

On last Saturday night the Marlinton Garage was entered a car belonging to Rev. Mr. Tomlinson, of Buckhannon, was stolen. On Sunday the car was located at Cass. George Dilley, aged about twenty years, had driven it away to call upon a lady friend. He is in jail. Young Dilley is an orphan; he came here from Bath county, and he has been employed in the New System Bakery.

D. B. Boggs is recovering from a very serious illness, caused by an infection from a bad tooth.

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